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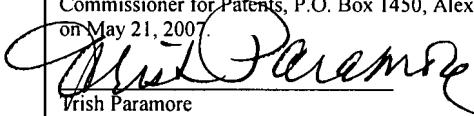
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For: **SYSTEM ENABLING DEVICE COMMUNICATION IN AN EXPANDED COMPUTING DEVICE**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits please amend the specification as follows: